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Gerald B. Winrod, Editor

The Isle of Enchantment . . . By Dr. Gerald B. Winrod

I AM faced with the pleasant task of presenting a close-up view of the beautiful Island of Puerto Rico, to the Defender Family. This I shall try to do by (1) sketching briefly its romantic historical background and (2) taking our readers for a short missionary trip into the interior.

Rich in Spanish lore, this gem of the Caribbean, lies approximately a thousand miles from Key West, Florida, and 450 miles east of Cuba. It would be difficult to find anywhere in the world, a place more luxurious in natural beauty. High mountains are perpetually covered with the green mantle of Spring. Sugar cane fields flourish on broad plains like acres of full-dress plumes. Caribbean tides wash gently against the numerous beaches, leaving them neat, clean and white. And, over all this, a tropical Sun shines brightly in an eternally blue sky.

Discovered November 19, 1493, by Christopher Columbus on his second voyage to the new world, Puerto Rico is the extreme eastern Island of the West Indies group known as the Greater Antilles — Cuba, Haiti and Jamaica being the other larger units. (In that part of the world, the officially accepted name of Christopher Columbus, is *Cristobal Colon*.)

Ponce de Leon, soldier and explorer, known to all school children as seeker of the Fountain of Youth, was appointed by Spain as the first Governor of Puerto Rico. He won the friendship of Agueibana, head chief of the native Indian inhabitants, and shortly afterward founded the first city, which he called *Caparra*.

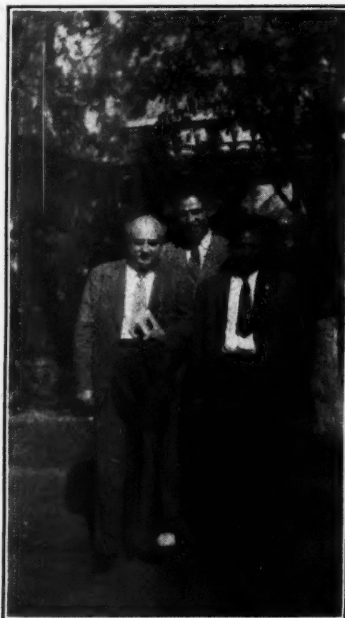
Because Caparra was built near mosquito-infested swamps, the original settlement was moved to what is now San Juan. Dazzled by the legend of the Fountain of Youth in the far-away lands of Bimini, Ponce de Leon left Puerto Rico (then called Boriquen) in 1512 for Florida, but returned the same year to be appointed, by King of Spain, head of the first fortress built on the Island. He was given the title, Captain of Sea and Land.

Again, he sailed for Florida in 1521. There, the formerly friendly Indians, received him in warlike fashion and during a sharp encounter, he was killed by a poisoned arrow.

Morro Castle, the most formidable fortress erected in the Spanish colonial empire, stands like a giant sentinel, overlooking the bay at the east end of the Island. The word Morro means a craggy cliff at the seashore. This same name was given by the Spaniards to several of the fortresses thrown up to defend their cities, including San Juan, Havana and Santiago de Cuba.

Because such were, for the most part, built on top of high, steep cliffs, they occupied commanding positions and served notice to hostile nations to proceed with caution.

As a result of the Spanish-American War, the United States took formal possession of Puerto Rico on October 18, 1898. With the evacuation of San Juan, the Spanish Empire lost its last foothold in the western hemisphere. . .



Gerald B. Winrod, Harvey H. Springer and J. F. Rodriguez

AS THESE words are being written, my daughter, Geraldine, and I have just returned from a missionary tour to the West Indies. This was my third visit to "La Isla Encantada" (the Isle of Enchantment).

As we came away, leaving our missionary companions, Rev. and Mrs. Harvey H. Springer, to continue the labors with native workers on the field, it was exceedingly difficult to hold back the tears. Puerto Rico is a lovely place. Puerto Ricans are lovable people. Language and customs are Spanish. It is the only land under the Stars and Stripes where Columbus ever set foot.

It is amazing how little the average American, residing in the States, knows about the problems of the native Puerto Rican. Comparatively few Christians realize that, although a United States possession, the Island is

in the truest sense a mission field.

Discussing the problem of over population with an educated Puerto Rican a few days ago, my host remarked that efforts were being made to transfer ten thousand natives in a body, to the nearby Dominican Republic as a colonizing project. Instinctively, I remarked: "Why do that? Why barter Puerto Ricans away to foreign soil? Why not bring them to the States? They are Americans. We can make room for them."

Little did I understand that this observation on my part, a position which seemed to me natural for one from the States to take — little did I understand what a responsive emotional chord it would strike. Tears filled the eyes of my host, who said: "I have met many tourists to our Island from the continental United States . . . I am a graduate of the University at Rio Piedras . . . but you are the first person from the States that I have ever heard say that *Puerto Ricans are Americans*."

ON THE evening of February 4th, we "dropped" into the harbor of San Juan on a Pan American Clipper. Greeted by Dr. J. F. Rodriguez (known affectionately as the "Moody of the West Indies"), a group of native Christians, and newspaper men, we were soon escorted to our temporary living quarters.

Two hours later found us standing before an audience that over-flowed the Defenders Church at Rio Piedras — a gathering which neither Rev. and Mrs. Springer nor Geraldine and I, shall ever forget.

The newcomer to the Island is always impressed by the fact that such intense physical suffering should exist . . . in the presence of such unexcelled tropical beauty. When one leaves the bustling city of San Juan, and travels into the interior, it is like moving from one world into another.

As previously intimated, Puerto Rico is hopelessly overpopulated. Latest census reports show that there are 506.8 persons to the square mile, making it one of the most densely populated places in the world. The population has nearly doubled since becoming an American possession. Tens of thousands of persons work in the sugar cane, eking out an existence on two or three dollars a week, per family. Disease stalks across the Island. Thousands of children go to bed, night after night, hungry.

If the Defender Family could have been with us on the trip just completed, to observe the various types of

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The International Situation

Dr. J. Thorkelson, Butte, Montana

The following article is the text of an address delivered in a Butte Church, February 23, 1941, by former Congressman Thorkelson.

IF THE security of the United States depends upon our ability to finance and fight wars for England, our end as a sovereign State is near, for it means we are more obedient to the British Government than her own colonies.

The servile attitude of our Government to the Crown of England is disgusting to those who subscribe to the idea of an independent government—the kind we had until 1913 when the most vital principle of the Republic was destroyed. Our servility to the autocratic lords, dukes, and ducklings of the British-Israel Government is laughable to those who thought we enjoyed the advantages of a genuine democratic system. In the eyes of the world, we seem like a door mat for Britain, and a Santa Claus for the bank of England.

Those who advocate that we pawn the United States to the international money-changers, in order to finance the wars of an Empire which consists of over 13-million square miles, populated with 500-million people, should hang their heads in shame when they realize that the same Empire produces one billion dollars to our three hundred million dollars in gold per year. They should feel more ashamed, when they realize that the same Empire controls the entire diamond output, including the production of other rare gems which are mined in Africa and India. A nation in which a small group of bankers, under the protection of the government, have been able to obtain control of the Empire's most profitable production to satisfy their fanatic greed for gold! . . .

Why should we be more concerned about England and her wars than her

own colonies? When the special session of the 76th Congress, in the fall of 1939, railroaded repeal of the Arms Embargo, through the legislative branch of the government, a few Canadians came to Washington with the request that debate on the Repeal be prolonged for three or four weeks in order to keep England out of war. These British colonials said in substance . . . "Delay the Repeal of the Arms Embargo for three or four weeks and there will be no war in Europe."

Did Congress heed this request? I should say *not*. The leaders rushed the repeal through Congress in a few hours, in order to please War Monger No. 1, or the self-acclaimed Umpire of the world and all its people, in order to fool the gullible and to lead uninformed members of Congress into the labyrinth of British-Israel intrigue.

Revision of the Neutrality Act and repeal of the Arms Embargo encouraged the Judaic lords of England to declare war on Germany. This declaration of war forced Germany to mobilize on the French, Belgian fronts and to attack when England sat down to wait for us to come in after she had declared war. England's declaration of war also forced Germany to occupy Norway, Holland, Belgium, and France, in order to protect herself from attack at those points. War is war, and a game in which the most far-seeing players win. We may, therefore, expect that Germany, to protect herself from attack, will occupy all of continental Europe as far as the Dardanelles and even Portugal if England attempts to establish bases in those areas. This is a logical procedure which any European government may be expected to employ, who is fighting to prevent invasion.

On the other hand, we may expect that England will try to establish military bases in Portugal, Turkey, or Greece from which to launch attack upon what I choose to call the united central European powers.

Let us now try to presuppose what Germany will do in order to terminate

the war successfully. Germany may be expected to unite with Rumania, Yugoslavia, Bulgaria, in order to establish contact with the Italian armies in the occupation of Greece. After such occupation, the next step will be to establish an alliance with Turkey. If that cannot be accomplished, we may expect war because it is imperative, in the present state of affairs, for Germany to control all of southeastern Europe as far south as the Dardanelles.

In the event that Germany, either by an alliance with Turkey, or war reaches the Dardanelles, no further advance south may be expected, until Russia is eliminated as a constant threat from the east. If, or after, accomplishing this penetration, Germany is not certain as to the attitude of Russia, she will to protect herself be forced to consolidate and fortify all possible points suitable for invasion of continental Europe, until she disposes of the Russian Government.

I have already predicted, and I am reasonably sure, that Germany's final objective is the colonies which were taken from her after the World War and mandated to England. To obtain possession of these, she must go southwest toward Africa and to accomplish this, she will need the aid of Turkey, Arabia and Russia. Should she be able to establish this alliance, nothing will hinder their march south into Palestine, Egypt, Sudan and finally south Africa. The British armies cannot stop this movement, neither can the United States by joining Britain in a war against such a formidable alliance.

In order to determine the position of the United States in the present European War, it is necessary that we review the procedure which was employed in establishing the present Communist Government in Russia. The German military government was responsible for the Bolshevik and Menshevik uprising during the Russo-Japanese War. The German Government directed the Bolsheviks in the sabotage of the Russian Army during the World War and the Communist

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uprising to destroy the Kerensky Government which had also been promoted by the German military staff. It was this weapon that the German military staff employed to destroy the effectiveness of the Russian army in order to relieve pressure on its eastern front.

The German military machine and government was controlled and financed by the international bankers who had intimate relations with bankers bearing German names in the United States. It was the American-German bankers and their TRIBAL BROTHERS in Germany, who financed Lenin and Trotsky in their trip from New York on the S. S. Christiania Fjord to Halifax and Europe. These two agents of Communism were transported from Switzerland to Russia, under the protection of the German military government, as directed by the "internationalists." Their purpose was revenge on Russia and destruction of the Czar and the imperial Russian Government. They accomplished all of this quite successfully for the Red orgy in Russia, terminated in the murder of the Russian Royal Family and over 10-million Russian Christians. This mass murder and sabotage was financed by bankers in New York City who were connected with their own people in Germany, and other capitols of Europe. The money which was used to finance the three Communists in Russia was handled through the Rhenish Westphalian Syndicate, the Nya Banken in Sweden, and banking houses in Norway, Denmark, and the imperial banks in Germany.

The refugee banking groups in the United States were, *because of blood and tribal relationship*, closely associated with those who were financing and promoting Communism in Russia, during the very time we were at war with Germany. It was because of this enemy activity that they were suspected and watched by the W.T.I. This activity on their part is a matter of record which may be found in the Foreign Relations of the United States, the Sisson Reports, and the War Trades Intelligence Reports compiled during and after the World War.

I hope this is clear because it is they who are financing the tribal defa-

mation and liquidation units, whose 160 periodicals, such as the B'nai B'rith, are calling Lindbergh, Moseley, Sanctuary, Winrod, and many other good Americans, "Nazis," because they are exposing the most vindictive destroyers the world has ever known.

Let no one fail to note that the present Russian Government and the refugee German bankers, in the United States and elsewhere, are birds of a feather who will, if I am not mistaken, should Germany declare war on Russia, flock together because the Russian Government is composed of their own tribal relatives. Germany and Russia are both Socialistic but their governments differ; Russia destroyed the Christian Churches, Germany destroyed only the Synagogues.

It is the finger of this tribal camaraderie that points to the side which will receive Roosevelt's support should Germany declare war on Russia. Our army under the influence of unseen rulers, or the Invisible Government, and those in key positions in our Government, including certain members of Congress, will favor our participation on the side of Russia because the same financial Communists are in control of both governments. I have called attention to this so that the people may know where and for what cause the American army and navy will be used as an aid to Great Britain. Our army and navy will be used either in Africa, Russia, or both—depending on whether Russia joins Germany in her drive south to Africa.

I do not blame either Germany or England in their attempt to win the war, because the final outcome is of vital interest to both empires. I realize that England is in this war to establish British Israel control of the world. I have often wondered whether it was an accident that the King of England relinquished the throne to his brother. Maybe it was not an accident, for what could be more appealing to the American Israel, the Carnegie, the Cecil Rhodes, and other pro-British groups than to have the Duke of Windsor, the first King of Israel and his charming American wife, the first Queen of the same tribe. It is such a plan which is contemplated by British Israel World Federation and so stated in their own periodicals.

The importance of this organization may be better appreciated when we realize that the late Queen Victoria and King Edward VII, among many other members of the royalty, heads the Roll of Honour listing departed members. What the American people and members of Congress must consider is the part which the youth of America will play in this conflict. Let us not lose sight of the fact that if we enter this war it will be Christian vs. Christian, in mortal combat, to weaken themselves in order to enthrone Paganism and those whose god is gold and Saviour is bribe. . .

Had Congress, instead of repealing the Arms Embargo, provided real neutrality by placing embargo on *all* war material, including gold and international credit, no war would have come to Europe. This, like 1914-1917, was not to be, because the international bankers wanted war, and so there had to be war.

It was through the influence of these bankers and the Executive that a majority in Congress voted for the repeal of the Arms Embargo. True, in debate it was said the repeal and revision of the Act was to establish and secure neutrality so that we would not become involved in an European war, but that statement was a living lie, for the reason that nations are not made neutral by law, but are instead neutral because they want to deal equal justice to all countries by remaining neutral in fact, as well as in principle.

It is this submissive attitude of Congress which has led to more and more usurpation of the unwritten and written power in the Constitution. It is amazing indeed to note how the membership is whipped in line to vote for the so-called "must legislation," such as the Gold Reserve Act, the Reorganization Act of 1939, the Neutrality Act, the repeal of the Arms Embargo and now His Royal (HR) Lend-Lease Bill, 1776; which is just about the last step Congress may take before it abdicates to the Executive and the unseen rulers of America.

When this Act has been adopted, members of Congress may as well go home because the President will provide *casus belli*. This will come about by the sinking of one of our ships; if not by Germany, by someone in sympathy with Great Britain. This will arouse public opinion in America favorable to the sacrifice of several million lives, in order to please British Israel and allow the Government to use up the 4,500,000 identification tags for the dead. This should be a very pleasant prospect to look forward to, by those who have elected the present type of men to Congress! I often wonder if paragraph 4 on page 16378 of the Congressional Record, August 21, 1940, does not apply to some of the members who have a ring in their nose.

Why is the Executive, the Secretary of the Treasury, the Secretary of State, and the pro-English in Congress driv-

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ing this Republic into a war, which is to establish the international bankers as the supreme rulers of the earth? Let no one make the mistake of thinking that this war is instigated for the benefit of common people—for it is not, but is instead a war to destroy popular governments and enslave free people. . .

I recall in addressing the House on a question of personal privilege, when one of the members, who had previously objected to the revision and extension of my remarks in the Congressional Record, continued to interrupt by raising a point of order to keep vital information from reaching the public. This interruption caused me to address the Chair with this question:

"Mr. Speaker: Is this a British or an American Congress?"

One may well ask the same question today, in view of the fact that the majority in Congress appears to be more amenable to the wishes of the British Government than they are to the people of the United States, who sent them to Congress in order "to preserve, to protect, and defend" their rights and to keep this Nation out of war. . .

The men in Congress who are wrecking the republic of the United States in order to aid the British Israel international bankers, should understand for whom and for what they will vote when HR 1776 comes up for the final reading. Those who vote for it, I hope will realize:

1. That the bill is unconstitutional and that Congress has no legal right granted to it in the Constitution to pass this bill.
2. Members who vote for it must also realize they commit perjury, inasmuch as each and everyone has obligated himself to preserve, to protect, and to defend the Constitution of the United States.
3. The members who vote for the Lend-Lease Bill commit treason because they give aid and comfort to the enemy.
4. Each one who votes for this bill commits a greater crime than that for which General Benedict Arnold was condemned, when he attempted to betray West Point to the British.

Clear, definite and explicit orders are given to Congress in Article I to and including Section 8. Section 9 denies power to Congress and Section 10 denies power to the State Government which must be enforced and upheld by Congress. One of these stipulations are: Art. I, Sec. 10.

"No State shall enter into any treaty, alliance, or confederation; grant let-

ters of marque and reprisal; coin money; emit bills of credit; make anything but gold and silver coin a tender in payment of debts; pass any bill of attainder, ex post facto law, or law impairing the obligation of contracts, or grant any title of nobility."

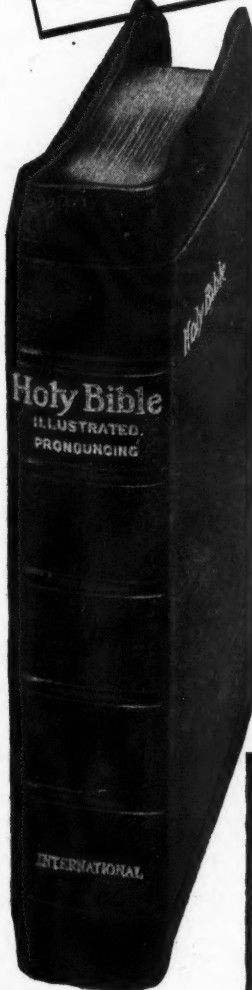
Congress nullified the first paragraph in Section 10 because the Gold Reserve Act is an *ex post facto* law which amends the Constitution and impairs contracts by making it impossible to use silver and gold in payments of

contracted debts, as provided in the Constitution of the United States. . .

H. R. 1776 is one of these laws—a travesty on the Constitution. This Act, like others that have been passed for the past twelve years, is clearly unconstitutional and destructive to the republic of the United States and the Constitution upon which the Government is based. *Those who vote for it should read Article III, Section 3, for they are nothing but traitors to America.*

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My Hebrew mother said that one of the first complete sentences I ever uttered, contained the words of Deuteronomy 6:4, "Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is one Lord."

I was born in the Russian village called *Chassel*. Unlike many other Jews in the days of the Czar, I never experienced life in a ghetto. My family enjoyed a comfortable house on a small plot of ground, surrounded by fruit trees. I recall that we had a barn, a horse and a cow.

My father was the tailor of the community. In religious matters he was a strict, Orthodox Jew, who never missed attending the Synagogue with his family on the Sabbath. Little did he dream then, that his young son, whose hand he held so tightly, as they made their way to this place of worship, would one day become a Preacher of the Gospel in far-away America. No greater disgrace could come to the family name! No greater misfortune could befall the household!

My early boyhood was spent studying the Jewish Torah and Talmud. The Jews divide the Old Testament into three parts: (1) The Torah, "Law," or Pentateuch, (2) The Prophets, and (3) The Kethubim, or "Writings" beyond the range of both Mosaic law and the testimonies of the Prophets, which portions are generally termed Hagiographa. The Talmud, on the other hand, is composed of writings by rabbis.

I attended the Jewish school in Chassel, under the watchful eye of the local rabbi. My comrades and I began our studies about 6:30 every morning. We finished recitations at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, taking a few minutes off at noon. The early training of a Jewish boy is very rigid. I was raised according to strictest observances, with every safeguard to keep me forever immune to everything of a Christian nature. The Jewish sphere was one world

... while the Christian sphere was quite another.

Practically every child believes his or her mother to be the best on earth. Although she was later to denounce me as an outcast, the boyhood memory of my mother will always be one of my most precious possessions. Like her husband, she was strictly Orthodox in her belief, and genuinely sincere.

In school, we studied much about the Holy Land. I remember going to my mother many times, putting my arms about her neck, and asking questions



Dr. Winrod between two Semitic friends . . . Left, Rev. Kaleel Hanna, converted Arab. Right, Rev. Z. G. Chayet, converted Jew.

such as these: "Why do we live in Russia instead of Palestine, and how did the Temple at Jerusalem, where our forefathers worshipped, happen to be destroyed? Why do Jews seem to be different from other people? Why do we suffer so much?"

She would reply that some day *Moshech* (translated Messiah) was coming to bring power to the Jews. Then Palestine would be restored and the ancient Temple rebuilt. She explained that our people were driven out of Jerusalem in the past, because they had turned away from God and worshipped idols.

My boyish heart was thrilled with the story of the Messiah. I was like any normal Jewish youth in this re-

spect, who dreams dreams of a future Messianic Kingdom. But unlike others, the yearnings of my heart were not satisfied. There was an inward craving for something, which promises of temporal power could not satisfy.

Living conditions in my native land were far from pleasant. A number of our relatives migrated to America. Some who were thus transplanted to the new world, wrote my father glowing descriptions of public schools, thriving cities and better working conditions. These letters stated there was no discrimination toward our race, no ghettos, and Jews were free to accumulate money and enjoy an abundance of everything in their Gentile environment.

My father resolved to join those who had moved to the United States and made the trip alone the first time. He secured a position in a clothing factory, making suits, overcoats and dresses. It was not long until he had accumulated enough money to return to Russia, where he remained about six months. Then, with my oldest sister, he returned to this Country. They soon had sufficient funds to send for the rest of the family.

Sailing from Ellis Island to New York City, I felt the thrill of one who is leaving the past behind, in anticipation of new frontiers and challenging tomorrows. I was soon to become a citizen of a new world.

There were intervening years of toil and trial between the day we arrived in New York . . . and the day I walked into a little Salvation Army citadel to make the greatest of all discoveries—namely, that the Messiah has already come, that He loves sinners, that He can dry tears, mend broken hearts and give peace and joy which "passeth all understanding."

The events that led up to my decision to accept Christ are too numerous and lengthy to relate, except to remark that all did not go well with my father and there were times when the family of nine faced grave discouragements. Work at the clothing factory was a seasonal occupation, fraught often with labor troubles.

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Hatred and suspicion toward Christianity had been instilled in my heart. My manner of life was that of the strictest Orthodox Jew. In company with my parents, I attended American Synagogues regularly, as I had done in Russia. Yet my heart cried for God; I wanted to know Him in an experiential way.

I felt it my duty to become a breadwinner with my father, and received permission from the board of education in New York to leave school, at the age of fifteen.

Sometime later, walking down Fourteenth Street of the borough of Manhattan, seeking employment, I saw a sign over a building which read, *Salvation Army*. Hearing band music and possessing the characteristic racial instinct of inquisitiveness, I stepped into the building and took a seat. The interior of the auditorium was strange to me. I saw young women with bonnets on their heads, and young men with blue serge uniforms. For a moment, I thought they must be policemen and that, I had by mistake, wandered into a police station—which frightened me. But this feeling was soon dispelled.

From the Talmud, I had been taught that Christ was a bastard and the reason why Jews suffered so much was because of this bad Jew. I had been taught to hate the name of Jesus. I have seen members of my race spit on the steps of Churches and, brought up under that kind of tutorage, I had often done likewise.

So when I heard people in the Salvation Army hall talking about Jesus, I regarded them as being both foolish and insulting. Up until that night, I had never darkened the door of a Church where Christ was preached.

I remember a man who testified something like this, during the service; he said: "Friends, there was a time in my life when I was deep in sin. I was kicked from saloons and laid in gutters like a hog. But, praise God, He sent Christ down from the Ivory Palaces to lift me up from the miry clay and set my feet on the solid rock."

Although I fought against it, those words came to me as a thrill. They were spoken with such sincerity that I felt as if an arrow had pierced my soul.

At the conclusion of the evening message, a young man approached me, Bible in hand, and asked if I were a Christian. I turned upon him and in a tone of rebuke, demanded to know: "How is it possible for me, being a Jew, to believe in Christ?"

Understanding something of my predicament, he was most tactful and an-

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swered that Christ was the *true Messiah* of the Jews even though the race, as a whole, had rejected Him, preferring unfortunately to remain in a spiritual darkness. Then he opened his Bible to certain Old Testament prophecies that referred to Christ, and demonstrated to me that He had actually fulfilled them.

I was shown Old Testament Scriptures which I could not refute. The man was quoting from *my Bible*. The earth seemed to swim beneath me. Everything I had been led to believe—everything that the rabbis and Synagogue worship had built up in my mind, was suddenly called into question. I seemed dazed. Could all of my people, my own father and mother and brothers and sisters—could they all be mistaken? Could the rabbis be mistaken? Could Judaism be mistaken? Minutes seemed like days and months and years. I was thinking thoughts, new thoughts, different thoughts—thoughts that I didn't know could enter a human mind. *I was hearing the Gospel for the first time.*

Then this kind friend read to me passages from the New Testament

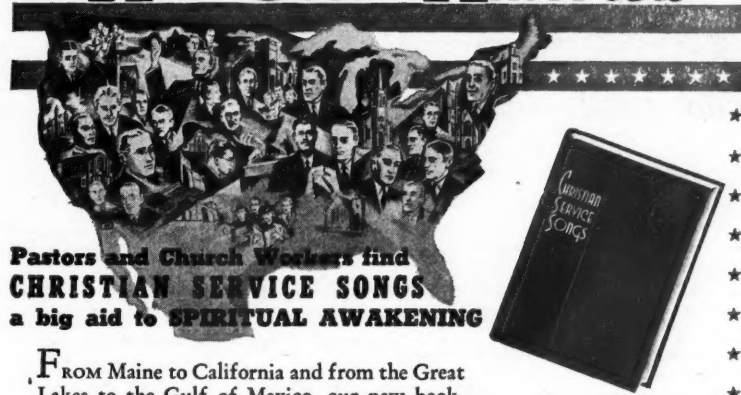
where there were exact records of Old Testament fulfillments. He credited me with being sincere, deeply sincere, but showed that my hatred for Christ was wrong, and that in consideration of prophetic Scripture, He was the true Messiah, the One Who I had been taught would come later.

The foundations of my Judaistic thinking literally crumbled. Flashes of truth illuminated my mind. The Holy Spirit was present, working in my heart, using the Word of God to convict me of sin. I realized that I was a sinner before God, guilty, helpless, hopeless, in need of a Saviour. For the first time, I learned that religion and prayer is a matter of the heart, and not a labyrinth of confused *dos* and *don'ts* based upon external rituals and ceremonial deeds.

Following my conversion, great grief filled my soul, because I could not understand why my brethren in the flesh had been so cruel in demanding the crucifixion of such a just Man. But when I read from Isaiah, the matter was made clear: "But he was wounded

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for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all."

I saw beyond the cry of the mob, "Crucify him, Crucify him," and the actions of the Roman soldiers . . . and realized that it was sin, human sin, my sin, that made necessary the suffering of the Just for the unjust.

I realized that the Atonement was a great plan, originating in the mind of God—a plan that no human will ever completely understand, and that the events worked out on Calvary had to do with the building of a spiritual kingdom rather than a material empire for the purpose of granting Jewish preferment. It dawned upon me by degrees that Judaism was a misguided religion, something from which the Jew is saved when he receives the light of spiritual truth into his mind and heart.

A complete change took place in my life, the night I knelt at the altar of that Salvation Army citadel and cried, "God be merciful to me a sinner." Having opened my heart to Him, He washed me clean through the miracle of His precious blood. I arose to my feet "with joy unspeakable and full of glory."

I was so happy that I did not care what my parents would do to me. I knew they would have a funeral, figuratively bury me, and henceforth consider me as dead. I knew I would be disowned, persecuted and humiliated. But my determination to live for Christ was strengthened, when I read Matthew 10:37, "He that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me." I resolved by God's help to confess Him before men, and decided to begin by giving the first testimony to my parents.

One night I left my Bible laying on a little table near my bed. When I awoke the next morning, I knew that members of the family must have read some of the New Testament. My mother was the first to speak: "Zellic, my son, is it possible that you have become a believer in Jesus?"

I replied: "Mother, don't you remember when we lived in Russia how you would say to me, some day the Messiah would come and bring peace?"

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My mother was horrified. That I should have renounced Judaism and accepted Christ, was regarded as the greatest calamity that could come to the family. I was informed that if I wanted to remain at home, it would be necessary to give up belief in Christ. Refusing to do this, I was forced to leave with only the clothing on my back. To the Gentile Christian, it may seem strange to think of Jews being willing to sever completely and forever, all connection with members of the family who accept the Christ Who was "despised and rejected"—but such is the case.

If the reader could have been there the morning I was taking my stand for Christ, in that Orthodox Jewish home, he would have seen my cheeks moistened with tears, my lips moving in prayer, and my soul quietly breathing the words of the song:

*Jesus, I my cross have taken,
All to leave and follow Thee;
Destitute, despised, forsaken
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Upon leaving home, I went to live with Mr. and Mrs. Marvin C. Duff, who at that time resided in Brooklyn, New York, engaged in Jewish mission work. While staying with them, I learned what it meant to live in a Christian home. They treated me as their own son. We had a family altar and I read the New Testament through four times during those months. I was baptized and joined the Greene Avenue Baptist Church of Brooklyn.

Several Jews, including members of the family, continued to harass me in many ways, hoping thereby to destroy my faith in Christ. I had many testings, which, I believe, God used to prune some dead twigs and branches from my life in order to make me more fruitful for Him.

Late one afternoon, my father came to the place where I was working and asked the employer if he could speak to me. I was sent to the office, found him waiting, apparently in a friendly frame of mind. I was glad to see him and felt happy when he invited me home that night. My family gave me a hearty greeting as I arrived. But later in the evening, my father turned fiercely upon me, and demanded that I swear never again to mention the name of Christ or attend any Christian house of worship. I told him that I could make no such promise.

He threatened to beat me, but I steadfastly refused to give up my faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. Then he struck me a hard blow and began beating me, and continued even after I had almost lost consciousness. My sister, standing a few feet away, pleaded in my behalf: "Please, father, stop beating him. Spare his life. What if he is a Christian? He is my brother. He is a human being and should not be treated like an animal. Please stop beating him!"

In a state of exhaustion from anger and the expense of physical energy, he finally yielded to her pleas, and my life was spared. My brothers and sister then picked me up from the floor and placed me on a bed, where

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I remained for approximately three hours. After regaining sufficient strength, I managed to drag my aching body to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Duff. I mention this incident, hoping that it may prove somewhat encouraging to others who are called upon to suffer for the Master. . . .

During the early part of 1924, The Student League of Many Nations, an evangelistic organization representing the Practical Bible Training School, held a meeting in the Brooklyn Church of which I was a member. I was thrilled with the testimonials of these young people. The Holy Spirit seemed to use them to fire me with a greater vision than I had previously possessed.

I talked with Dr. John A. Davis, founder and president of the School, about the matter of being admitted to the institution at Binghamton. He told me he thought it could be arranged. A few days before the next school year began, I received a letter from his office giving me permission to come. Dr. Davis was a man with a big heart, and wielded a great influence upon my life.

After completing the required course of study and graduating from the School, I was given a position with the Student League of Many Nations, with which I am still affiliated.

I have given my testimony in hundreds of churches, during the past fifteen years. I have tried to make plain, in the most effective way I know, the invitation is to "whosoever will" and that in matters pertaining to personal salvation "there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcision nor uncircumcision, Barbarian, Scythian, bond nor free: but Christ is all, and in all."

The League, composed of members of the student body from the Practical Bible Training School, represents various nationalities. In this work, it has been my pleasure to labor, for instance, with an Arab brother in Christ, Mr. Kaleel Hanna, and this shows how "all things" really "become new" and changed, when people regardless of nationality, kneel before Calvary and are cleansed from sin. As a converted Jew, I have found great joy in traveling with this evangelistic group, witnessing to His saving Grace. My Christ saves from the uttermost to the uttermost and keeps me from day to day under

"the shadow of the Almighty."

I am thankful to Dr. Winrod, editor of The Defender, for this opportunity

of giving my personal testimony.

(Note: This inspiring testimony is available in pamphlet form.)

Ransacking Revelation

"SEARCH the scriptures . . ."

The Greek word *search* used in this passage, John 5:39, is *ereunao* and means either to "ransack" as one might minutely examine an old trunk for some article . . . or to "trace" as a detective follows a clue.

Many Christians are *ransacking* the Scriptures more than ever before, because in the prophecies they find an explanation for changes taking place in the world, which cannot otherwise be understood.

Every passing day brings the human family nearer the blackout of the Great Tribulation. In view of twentieth century prophetic trends, it is significant that the Book of Revelation is being studied with greater diligence today, than at any time since John received the visions which go to make up its contents.

As international events continue to shape themselves according to prophetic pattern, ever increasing numbers of Christians are manifesting renewed interest in the study of the Word. During times of crisis, people instinctively reach out for supernatural guidance, and prophecy becomes a subject of more than ordinary concern.

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liever should give it a thorough ransacking. Why? Because it is Divine Inspiration's last word to man, concerning the unfoldment of end-time events.

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Some have neglected studying Revelation on the grounds that it is so profound that it cannot be understood by the average person. Others regard it as too "mysterious" to be of practical value. For these and other reasons, some Christians have failed to familiarize themselves with its precious contents.

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This truth applies to Revelation. Symbolic language is for those who possess spiritual capacities. The message is not intended for all, but specifically for those who know "the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven." The first sentence of the Apocalypse reads: "The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to shew unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass. . . ."

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IT IS of course a fatal mistake to try to study Revelation in a hit and miss fashion. One should approach the task systematically, scientifically.

Unquestionably, some Bible teachers and expositors possess special light, for understanding and interpreting its contents. The writings of such Christian scholars and specialists in Scriptural analysis, are helpful to those who would know the inner meaning of the symbols and terminology employed by John the Revelator.

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The primary purpose of this editorial is to call attention to a volume, regarded by many as the greatest production of the generation in which we live, on the Apocalypse. Published under the title, "Studies in Revelation," it is the work of the late Dr. W. Leon Tucker.

Dr. Tucker was recognized by all, as a Bible expositor of exceptional prophetic insight and mastery of the Word. He wrote voluminously on prophecy and related subjects. Perhaps a brief biographical sketch, will

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into pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up the sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more."

Concerning the time of the approaching Armageddon, our Lord said: "And ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars: see that ye be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places." *Matthew 24: 6-7.*

A Storm At "Sea"

John, the beloved disciple, refers to the nations in the end of the age, as a "sea." Revelation 13:1 anticipated the rise of the last beast-empire out of the chaos of international warfare: "And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea,

having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy."

Speaking of the time of the end, Daniel says the "winds . . . stove upon the great sea." Some expositors insist that the "great sea" of the Bible, is the Mediterranean—the principal arena of Europe's war, both in history and modern times.

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Watch the waves wash the deck. Each wave apparently swallows the ship, but the vessel emerges again to shake itself and prepare for another plunge. This goes on and on, all through the night. It is dark as pitch. The waves roar ominously. The ship rolls, groans and shudders. It seems that the night will never end . . . and that the Sun will never shine again.

Paul was once caught in a storm that continued day and night for two weeks.

"But not long after there arose against it a tempestuous wind, called Euroclydon. And when the ship was caught, and could not bear up into the wind, we let her drive. . . . And we being exceedingly tossed with a tempest, the next day they lightened the ship. . . . And when neither sun nor stars in many days appeared, and no small tempest lay on us, all hope that we should be saved was then taken away. . . . But when the fourteenth night was come, as we were driven up and down in Adria, about midnight the shipmen deemed that they drew near to some country. . . . They cast four anchors out of the stern, and wished for the day." *Acts, Chapter 27.*

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The way out is up!

Nations "Raging"

The Psalmist asked: "Why do the heathen rage?" There is no need of explaining that the word "heathen" means "nations." All nations will be "heathen," as far as their relationship with God is concerned, in the end of the age. The great majority of people in every nation are going down the broad way (shall we say *Broadway!*) that leads to destruction.

The nations are in commotion like the raging waves of an angry sea. Wars will continue to the end. Observe the fury of wave after wave of terrorism in the world — "wars and rumours of wars," "nation against nation," — "kingdom against kingdom," and still "the end is not yet." *Matt. 24:6.*

Rapid changes have taken place in recent years. Almost two hundred million human beings suddenly found themselves under the whip of Russia's dictatorship. Germany, crushed to earth, apparently without hope of rising again, became in a few short months, the most formidable military power the world has ever seen. Italy and the Roman Empire are ambitious for territorial expansion. Japan has recently adopted several of the principal characteristics of what we call "western civilization." Over night, that country was transformed from a backward people to one of the most progressive nations in the world. China, in the throes of war, reaps the harvest of misspent years under Communist domination.

The feet of marching millions can

now be heard around the world. Fifty millions of men are in uniform in Europe. Other millions in Asia and Africa. Boundaries are changing. Small nations are being swallowed. It is conservative to estimate that three-fourths of the world is already at war. Humanly speaking, the picture is dark, very dark.

America Crumbling

America, the last of the great free nations, is being saddled with the debts of Europe's wars. The breaking point is near at hand. Economic collapse resulting from crushing financial obligations and taxation, will spell the doom of everything in government that we have learned to love and cherish. Bankruptcy was the excuse for dictatorship in the European nations. We are following the same path.

We are becoming the "arsenal" for the warring nations. There is always danger that an "arsenal" will blow up. How long before the United States ignites, like other nations?

Our factories are turning out swords instead of plowshares. Daily, in the large cities, we now see mothers' sons marching in uniform, just as I have recently seen them do in Europe, Asia, and Africa. Lying propaganda has placed a premium on hate and made it unpopular to speak of peace in our own land. Don't look for the end of war now. War has just begun.

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may expect a siege of war — one battle after another, one war after another, on and on and on, far into the blackness of the night.

Nations will be torn, bled white with war; property will be destroyed; fields will be rendered unproductive; many people will be actually frightened to death by the terror which grips them. "Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth." *Luke 21:26.*

When men think that peace is at hand, that war is about to end, it breaks out again with greater fury. "For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape." *1 Thess. 5:3.*

Like the raging, restless waves of a stormy sea, nation is hurled against nation; kingdom against kingdom. The world, weary of the night of war, will like Paul and his companions, wish for the day. And, praise God, a new day will dawn! God writes prophecy with a legible hand. Orly in the Word, do we find hope, chart and compass, as the storm rages.

The period between the first and second comings of Christ, has been designated "earth's night-time" by some prophetic students. As the Roman night was divided into four military divisions, called *Watches*, at which time sentinels were changed, it has been said that Christ accommodated Himself to this fact in *Luke 12:37-40*, and divided the epoch between the two comings into four sections.

Rev. Ralph E. Boyer is one student of prophecy, who has written ably on this subject. He professes to find great spiritual movements in church history, surges of light followed by seasons of darkness, marked out with historical exactness, which indicate three *watches* to be past. He says we are now in the fourth, or last, before the dawning of a new day.

The coldest hour of the night comes just before dawn. The darkest hour likewise precedes dawn. If spiritual

coldness and apostasy exist in the church; if darkness exists in the world, believers should be encouraged because the dawn of the Golden Age must be near at hand.

There was a storm at sea. The disciples were in a boat. "And in the fourth watch of the night Jesus went unto them, walking on the sea." *Matthew 14:25.*

Peter started in the direction of Jesus, walking on the waves. The storm engulfed him. He was about to sink. Jesus came to the rescue.

In this experience, Peter, lifted out of a stormy sea, may be likened unto the church, to be lifted out of a stormy world. When did Peter's deliverance occur? It was in the *fourth watch* of the night. If Mr. Boyer and others are correct; and if the present hour finds us in the last watch before the new day dawns, then there is hope of early deliverance for the "children of the light." Jesus spoke of the Rapture in these words: "The one shall be taken, and the other left."

The Purpose of War

What is the purpose of these wars? Some say, "To stop Hitler . . . To stop Mussolini . . . To stop Japan . . . To end British Imperialism." *Poor dupes!*

These wars are permitted to judge rebellious men for sin—men who have turned their backs upon God and defiantly rejected His Son. All nations will be led to the seething caldron of Armageddon. Clashing countries on their way to end war, are really on the way to suicide. War will never be ended by human effort. Only the Lord can stop war. Until that time, demon forces, working through evil men and systems, will regiment the world's manpower and hurl it into the final conflagration. "The spirits of devils . . . go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great

day of God Almighty." *Rev. 16:14.*

According to the Scriptures, the wars in the end-time are not actuated by high and lofty motives, but by Satanic forces, lying spirits, in control of godless rulers. When man refuses to follow God, he invariably yields to the opposite power, namely Satan. Thus, judgment will be executed, and the world pay for its folly.

The world has departed from God. Atheism, immorality, and godlessness are rampant. Unbelievers have become so brazen that they actually boast of unbelief. They joke about God, the Bible, and godly men. How long the agencies of retribution will tolerate evil, remains to be seen. When the shrapnel bursts and bombs scream from the skies, sinful men are simply reaping the harvest of the seeds they have sown. This age is going out in judgment as every previous dispensation has ended.

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tivation of neutrality as a foreign policy for the present, can help cushion the blow, but in the last analysis, punishment for wickedness will take its course here, as elsewhere. The storm is predicted to be world-wide in scope.

We are not a nation of angels. There is as much of the same moral and political corruption in America as in other nations. There is no need of deceiving ourselves. Judgment is about to strike. All nations will be involved in the final wars. (Rev. 16:14)

Europe, Asia, and Africa are now at war. The Rooseveltian philosophy is bringing the same agencies of evil to the western hemisphere. Canada is already involved. If the United States enters the conflict, the whole world will soon be included in the conflagration . . . and the rivers of nations will run red with human blood. We are approaching the day spoken of in the Scriptures when the "blood came out of the winepress, even unto the horse bridles." Rev. 14:20.

The present war is only a skirmish in comparison to what is coming. Two hundred millions of soldiers will be involved in the last struggle. "And the number of the army of the horsemen were two hundred thousand thousand." Rev. 9:16.

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be exterminated. "By these . . . was the third part of men killed . . ." Rev. 9:18. The time will come when the world will be "prepared . . . to slay the third part of men." Rev. 9:15.

The present world's population is, in round numbers, 2-billion. One third of that number would be roughly 700-million. The present European war has consumed about 1-million lives. It would take war, famine, and pestilence of a severity seven hundred times as great as that now existing in Europe, to complete the judgments outlined in the prophecies. Therefore, we say that war and trouble has only begun. We may expect wave after wave of war, famine, pestilence, revolution, lawlessness, coupled with violence in nature—earthquakes, tidal waves, and signs in the heavens.

"Nation shall rise against nation . . . and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places." Matt. 24:7.

"And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations,

with perplexity; the sea and waves roaring; Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken. And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth night." Luke 21:25-28.

Only the Lord's return can prevent the complete annihilation of the human race. "Except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved." Matt. 24:22.

Sinner friend, the Lord has a controversy with you in this dark hour. He is talking to you through war, famine, pestilence, unemployment, depression, trial, tribulation.

The only Haven of Rest is in the Lord Jesus Christ. Trust in His shed blood. He died for people like you! He will bring you safely to the harbor as last. He will rescue you from the storm.

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According to unbelievers who have gained the upper hand in many modern churches, this passage from Jude should read: "It was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly COMPROMISE the faith which was once delivered unto the saints."

This version has been put into practice, in modernistic circles. With what results? Hybrid religion, social gospel, morass of unbelief, higher criticism, evolution, agnosticism, skepticism, atheism, cynicism, socialism, communism, false cults, mass immorality, filthy dreamers, jungle standards, *ad infinitum*!

The toxin of apostasy requires an antidote. Young people, and older folks as well, need the truth, to offset evil doses of compromise being prescribed by infidel preachers who call themselves Modernists. And thanks to the efforts of such men as Dr. B. H.

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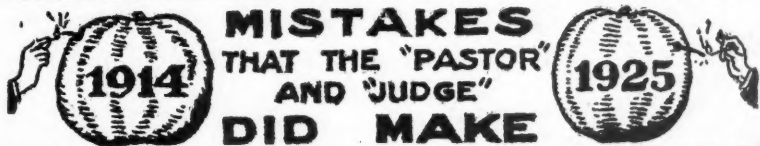
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"Wednesday, they marched back and forth in front of the Senate wing of the Capitol, waving American flags. A Capitol police sergeant went inside, looked up the law and advised them that picketing the Capitol was forbidden. The marchers then walked across the plaza from the Capitol, knelt and prayed, 'Don't send our boys to war,' 'don't pass this bill.' 'God save America,' were among the phrases heard."

When they tried to see Senator Carter Glass, he demanded that they be "investigated" by the F.B.I. Quick to accept the challenge, the mothers instantly approved the suggestion.

A few days later, when Glass asked that gag rule be imposed to silence opponents of the measure in Senate debate, Senator Clark, of Missouri remarked: "No Senator on our side will ask the F.B.I. to investigate anybody who petitions the Senate on either side of the question."

Thereupon, Senator Barkley heatedly came to the support of Glass, saying: "The Senator from Missouri is welcome to any satisfaction he gets out of criticising the Senator from Virginia." Clark shot back: "I thank the Senator for that."

(WINSTON CHURCHILL SPEAKING)

THE CURRENT issue of Scribner's Commentator contains an article by Mr. William Griffin, editor-publisher of the *New York Inquirer*, in which he explains the background to the statement made by Winston Churchill, regarding America's entry into the World War. The treatise appears under title,

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"When Churchill Said Keep Out!"

In August of 1936, Mr. Griffin toured the capitals of Europe, interviewing leading figures. He had talks with Lebrun of France, George Bernard Shaw of England, Paderewski of Poland . . . David Lloyd George, Eamon de Valera, Lord Robert Cecil, Count Galeazzo Ciano and Pope Pius XI.

He relates that as he was about to leave London for home, when he received the following telegram, at the Savoy Hotel: "Could you come to see me at five o'clock, at 11 Morpeth Mansions, Westminster, on Wednesday?—Winston Churchill." Mr. Griffin states he complied with the request of the British statesman.

"In the course of our conversation," he writes, "I asked him if he did not agree with me that since America had helped England win the World War, she should pay to the United States her war debt, amounting to approximately five billion dollars.

"Mr. Churchill made this reply:

"Legally we owe this debt to the United States and I agree with you that England should at once pay every penny the United States claims she owes, but England should be allowed, before a final settlement is made, to deduct fifty per cent of the cost of all the shot and shell she fired at the Germans from the time America declared war in the Spring of 1917 until she actually put troops in the front lines a year later."

"I asked Mr. Churchill how much he estimated that deduction would amount to and he said: 'About four billion nine hundred million dollars.'

"I answered by saying: 'If the war debt were settled on that basis the United States would almost owe England money.'

"Whereupon Mr. Churchill replied that the United States did owe England money, because if the debt settlement was a fair one, then England should be paid interest on the amount that

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she should be allowed to deduct from the war debt from the time she expended the money until there was a final settlement.

"I expressed my astonishment, saying: 'In my opinion such a settlement wouldn't be fair to the United States in view of the fact that if we hadn't entered the war England would have lost, the British Empire would have been broken up and today (meaning at the time) England would probably be ruled from Berlin.'

"Mr. Churchill did not agree with me. He said that he was very enthusiastic about our declaration of war in 1917, that there was no one in England happier over our decision to enter the war on the side of England than he was, *but he could see now that our entry had been a great mistake:*

"America should have minded her own business and stayed out of the World War (Mr. Churchill speaking). If you hadn't entered the war the Allies would have made peace with Germany in the Spring of 1917. Had we made peace then there would have been no collapse in Russia followed by Communism, no breakdown in Italy followed by Fascism, and Germany would not have signed the Versailles Treaty, which has enthroned Nazism in Germany.

"If America had stayed out of the war, all of these isms wouldn't today be sweeping the continent of Europe and breaking down parliamentary government, and if England had made peace early in 1917, it would have saved over one million British, French, American and other lives."

(CENSORSHIP)

COMPARISON of Roosevelt's promises with his performances, shows utter disregard for truth. Time and again, Administration leaders have been caught saying one thing, while deliberately

doing another. National character is at a low ebb.

Senator Hiram Johnson of California charged that the "true plan" of the Administration regarding war, had been revealed by a "slip of the tongue" on the part of Secretary of Commerce Jesse H. Jones. When testifying before a committee of Congress, Jones said heatedly, "We're in the war!" He did not attempt to amplify his statement but later asked that it be stricken from the record.

Senator Johnson remarked: "Mr. Jones let the cat out of the bag. He emphasized that fact by his attempt to strike his remark from the record."

There is no question but that this Nation is being committed to a war program. Official Washington's conduct, based upon the foreign policy of International Jewry, is that we are now at war, simply waiting for a formal declaration.

One striking evidence of this fact is the elaborate preparations made for censorship over press and radio in America.

Blandly disavowing any intent to enforce "a rigid news censorship," yet, it is reported, that newspaper men in Washington have already come face to face with this problem. For three days, correspondents were recently forced to file into the billiard room of the White House to be photographed and fingerprinted by Secret Service agents in order to get passes to attend Presidential press conferences.

A more important development took place about the same time, in the Navy Department, according to information captioned in the weekly summary of a widely read publication: "Secretary Frank Knox met for two-and-a-half hours in an off-the-record session with representatives of twelve newspaper publishers' associations. The subject was censorship; the meeting was a follow-up of Secretary Knox' 'confidential' letter which in effect requested that publishers print no significant Navy news unless it was issued or approved by the Navy. . . ."

Some of the men, representing the publishers, expressed real concern about recent trends toward censorship. They

could not agree that Secretary Knox's so-called "confidential" letter made sense. Declared a southern Editor: "I can keep a secret, even one I did not ask to receive and one that is shared with several thousand other people. But I am saying that I feel very strongly that any regulation of the press in America, in the emergency, ought not to be a personal and confidential matter between an official and the editors. If I understand the freedom of the press, it does not belong to either the editors or the officials but to the people."

(A ROMAN CATHOLIC SPEAKS)

"IT'S HARD for me to understand why some of these propagandists are allowed to cry down the normal wish of the American people for peace. What is their purpose? They cannot be real Americans, because real Americans think of their own country first.

"There are certain expatriates—I think you know who I mean—who are raising their voices in loud accents with the proposition that America sink her individuality and become a sort of tail end of a foreign empire. If this is not an example of exalted hysteria, I don't know what could be.

"Notwithstanding the too prevalent propaganda from all sides, the hope and prayer of the American people today is that we shall be spared the horrors of war. They have taken for granted that the authorities at Washington meant what they said, and what they meant when then promised to keep us out of war."—William Cardinal O'Connell.

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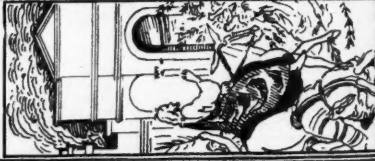






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The Day Of The Crucifixion

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"FOR I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures." I Corinthians 15:3-4.

Recognition of the proper day on which Jesus was crucified is vitally important to belief in the Inspiration of the Holy Scriptures, the Deity of the Lord Jesus Christ, the validity of the Resurrection story, the reliability of Biblical prophecy and the authenticity of Christian doctrine.

Three schools of religious thought contend for their respective positions — that Jesus was crucified either on (1) Wednesday, (2) Thursday or (3) Fri-

day of Christian faith. In connection with these two essential events, He gave the only SIGN of His authority as the Son of God to "an evil and adulterous generation" and that was the "sign of Jonah the prophet."

To the Scribes and Pharisees, He said: "An evil and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given to it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas: For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth." Matt: 12:39,40.

("Now the Lord had prepared a great fish to swallow up Jonah. And Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights." Jonah 1:17.)

According to the direct statement of Jesus Christ, a period of *three days and three nights* was to elapse between the burial and resurrection. A proper understanding of the Scriptures relating to this period substantiates His declaration, and should end the controversy as to the day of the week on which He was crucified.

When Jesus made reference to His sufferings (Matt. 16:21), He mentioned that He would be "raised again the third day." In John 2:19 He had already mentioned "three days" as the time after which He would raise up "the temple of His body." The expression occurs eleven times with reference to His resurrection (Matt. 16:21; 17:23; 20:19; Mark 9:31; 10:34; Luke 9:22; 18:33; 24:7, 46; Acts 10:40; I Cor. 15:4).

The same event, "after three days," is referred to in Mark 8:31. All of which shows, beyond question of doubt, that the term "three days and three nights" of Matthew 12:40 must include "three days" and the three preceding "nights."

Those who accept the "Thursday" and "Friday" Crucifixion Day theories, claim that "parts" of days may be interpreted as "three days" according to Hebrew idiom usage. The fact that "three days" is used by Hebrew idiom

for any part of three days and three nights is not disputed; because that was the common way of reckoning — as was also the case when referring to years.

Three or any number was used inclusively of any part of those years, as may be seen in the reckoning of the reigns of any of the Kings of Israel and Judah. But, when the number of "nights" is stated as well as the number of "days," then the expression ceases to be an idiom, and becomes a statement of fact.

Moreover, as the Hebrew day began at sunset, the day was reckoned from one sunset to another, the "twelve hours in the day" (John 11:9) being reckoned from sunrise, and the twelve hours of the night from sunset. An evening-morning was thus used for a whole day of twenty-four hours, as in the first chapter of Genesis "and the evening and the morning were the first day." Genesis 1:5. From Creation to the present age, a day and night consists of 24 hours whether it begins at sundown or midnight.

The question naturally arises: "Why this particular period? Why not two, or four, or any other number of days?"

The "three days and three nights" period was chosen by the Lord Jesus in order to associate the fact of His resurrection with the certainty of His death. This period, during which the body of Jesus would be in the tomb, would preclude all doubt that death had actually taken place, and shut out any suggestion that it might have been a trance, or a mere case of resuscitation. The Jews did not accept

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The most popular view is that Jesus was crucified on Friday; that He was buried at sunset or about 6 o'clock; that He spent Friday night, Saturday night — two nights and one intervening day in the tomb, and that He arose from the grave at about sunrise the following Sunday morning.

The second and less-known position, is that Jesus died on the Cross Thursday afternoon at three o'clock and spent Thursday night, Friday night, Saturday night — three nights, two days and part of the third day in the tomb, and arose early Sunday morning.

The acceptance of either one of these positions discredits the infallibility of the Word of God and calls into question the integrity of our Lord.

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evidence as to the identification of a dead body until after three days.

Herodotus testifies that embalment did not take place until after three days. Corruption takes place very quickly in the East, so that "the third day" was the proverbial evidence as to the certainty that death had already taken place, leaving no hope. The fact that Lazarus had been dead "four days already" was urged by Martha as a proof that her brother was really dead, for "by this time he stinketh." John 11:17-39.

Inadequacy of Friday-Thursday Theories

The authenticity of the "sign" given to that "evil generation" depended upon the body of Jesus resting in the tomb three full days and three full nights. The "Friday" and "Thursday" theories, question the integrity of Christ's Word because they do not provide a 72-hour period between the burial and resurrection.

If Jesus was crucified on Friday and rested in the tomb from Friday sunset to Sunday sunrise, then He was in the grave but two nights and one day, or 36 hours. Had He been crucified the day before, or on Thursday, He would still need 12 hours to complete the predicted entombment period of 72 hours.

Then too, the "Friday" and "Thursday" theories do not provide the required three nights. If buried at sundown Friday, Jesus was in the grave but one night, and if He had been placed there on Thursday at sundown He would not have been in the tomb but two nights, because He arose from the dead at the end of the seventh day weekly Sabbath and the dawn of the first day of the week (Matt. 28:1), or about six o'clock sunset Saturday. Combining the "Friday" crucifixion theory with the Scriptural hour of the resurrection, Jesus would have been in the tomb but about 24 hours while the "Thursday" theory would have given Him 24 more hours, or a total of 48, instead of the required 72.

The importance of the recognition of the proper Crucifixion Day is significant because the "Thursday" and "Friday" positions, or theories, beget infidelity. We cannot hope to inspire faith in the inspiration of the Holy Scriptures as long as we teach in our secular schools that three days and three nights means 72 hours, while in

our Sunday Schools we say that three days and three nights means 24, 36, 48 or 60 hours.

A thorough examination of the Scriptures reveals the truth concerning this controversy and establishes Wednesday as the day of the crucifixion, with the resurrection following exactly three whole days, and three whole nights, after burial.

Our Lord came to fulfill all things written in the Law and Prophets concerning Himself. The Day of His Crucifixion was no exception. The Passover Lamb in Egypt was to be slain on the fourteenth day of the month of Nisan (Lev. 23:5), therefore, the Lamb of God, the great anti-type of the Passover Lamb should be slain on the same day of the month. According to the records this is exactly what happened. Matt. 26:2; John 18:39. Even though necessity moved the time for killing Passover lambs forward, Christ as the Lamb of God was slain on the same day of the month as the Passover Lamb in Egypt.

Jewish religious months all begin with the new moon and their religious year started in the Spring, while the civil year began in the Fall and was a solar year made up of 30 days to the month.

The Jewish Passover always came on the 14th day of their month Nisan, or Abib, (the first month in their religious calendar) and that day was, in every case, the day following the night of the full moon. "The cycle of religious feasts," according to Smith's Bible Dictionary, "commencing with the Passover, depended not simply on the month, but on the moon; the 14th day of Abib (Nisan) was coincident with the full moon."

The Jewish month of Nisan, or Abib, corresponds with, and overlaps the latter part of our month of March and the first part of our April. The 14th day of Nisan in the year of the crucifixion fell on Wednesday; the only difference being in the shift of the hours made necessary by the respective calendars — the Jewish day beginning at sunset, or at about six o'clock, and the Roman, or Gentile day, which began at midnight.

Chronology from Triumphal Entry to Resurrection

It is important to know the Jewish significance placed upon the days of the Passover Week, together with the chronological events during that period, if we are to rightly divide the truth

concerning the crucifixion and resurrection days.

(a) Saturday, Nisan the Tenth

Six days before the Passover, or on Friday the 9th of Nisan, Jesus went to Bethany. John 12:1. That Jesus went to Bethany on Friday will be clearly seen by following the chronology of events as set forth in the Scriptures. That it was the 9th of the month appears from the fact that the Feast of Unleavened Bread sometimes called the Passover was on the 15th, and therefore the 9th would naturally be six days before. Bethany was within a "Sabbath day's journey" of Jerusalem.

"On the next day (Saturday, the 10th of Nisan and the Jewish Seventh-Day Sabbath) much people . . . when they heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, took branches of palm trees, and went forth to meet Him, and cried, Hosanna: Blessed is the King of Israel that cometh in the name of the Lord." John 12:12,13.

It was then that Jesus presented Himself as their King and the Jewish rulers resolved to have Him killed, thus fulfilling the Scripture that the Lamb was to be selected on the tenth of the month, and slain on the fourteenth. "In the tenth day of this month (Nisan) they shall take to them every man a lamb," and "your lamb shall be without blemish." Ex. 12:3,5. The "Triumphal Entry," therefore, took place on Saturday, the Jewish seventh-day weekly Sabbath and *not* on Sunday, as is generally believed.

(b) Sunday, Nisan the Eleventh

Jesus with the twelve, returned to Bethany at eventide on the Sabbath. "And on the morrow (Sunday the 11th of Nisan), when they were come from Bethany, He was hungry" (Mark 11:12); He saw the barren fig tree and cursed it (Mark 11:13-14; Matt. 21:18-20), and went on to Jerusalem; entered the Temple; cleansed it, and then went out of the city. Mark 11:15-19.

(c) Monday, Nisan the Twelfth

"And in the morning" (Monday the 12th of Nisan) Jesus began a day of teaching. Mark 11:20-26. "They came again to Jerusalem" where He continued His teaching. Mark 11:27-33; 12:1-44. "As he went out of the temple" and "sat upon the Mount of Olives" He gave His famous Olivet Discourse. Mark 13 and Matthew 24 and 25.

"And it came to pass, when Jesus had finished all these sayings, he said unto his disciples, Ye know that after

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two days (Tuesday and Wednesday the 13th and 14th of Nisan 'at the going down of the sun' Deut. 16:6; Wednesday the 14th of Nisan) is the feast of the passover (and of Unleavened Bread, Mark 14:1), and the Son of man is betrayed to be crucified." Matt. 26: 1-2.

(d) Tuesday, Nisan the Thirteenth

"And the first day of unleavened bread, when they killed the passover (Tuesday the 13th of Nisan), his disciples said unto him, Where wilt thou that we go and prepare that thou mayest eat the passover?" Mark 14:12.

When the Passover was first instituted by Moses, the 14th day of the month was called the Passover, and the 15th of the month was called the Feast of Unleavened Bread. Lev. 23:5-8. In the time of which we write, however, one of the modifications that had come about was the 14th — the day on which the Paschal lamb was eaten — was called the day of Preparation, and the following day, (the 15th) the first day of the Feast of Unleavened Bread, was now called the Passover day, although the Paschal lamb was still eaten

on the 14th. It is exceedingly important to have a clear understanding of this custom.

At the time of leaving Egypt, they were commanded to kill the Passover lamb at sundown, the beginning of the 14th day; in the days of our Lord the lamb was killed on the afternoon of the 13th, instead of waiting until sundown. We can readily see the reason for such a change of time for slaying the lamb. Josephus tells us there were sometimes more than a quarter of a million lambs slain on the occasion of the Passover. If none of these were slain until sundown when the 14th began, it is easy to imagine the congestion that would occur at the temple, in which place the lambs were to be slain. Consequently this part of the festival began about two o'clock on the afternoon of the 13th, and by five o'clock it had been concluded. In fact, Josephus (Wars VI-9-3) says the lambs were killed between the hours of three and five o'clock in the temple. They were carried from there and cooked in private homes.

It was the afternoon of the 13th that the lamb was prepared by Peter and

John, and another day elapsed before it was eaten. This is evident from Luke 22:7, "Then came the day of unleavened bread, when the passover must be killed." The simplest and plainest interpretation that could be put on this passage is that there was a day in which the Passover must be killed. It does not say it must be eaten that same day; the inference is against such a conclusion. Then comes verse 13: "And they went and found as he had said unto them: and they made ready the Passover."

(e) Wednesday, Nisan the Fourteenth

The Passover Preparation Day and the Preparation Day of the High Day (double) Sabbath was Wednesday, the 14th of Nisan. This Day began at about 6 p.m., or sunset, on our Tuesday and ended at sunset, or about 6 p.m., on our Wednesday. It was at the beginning of this 14th of Nisan, or on our Tuesday, just after sunset that the Lord and His twelve disciples took their places at the table preparatory to "the Last Supper." Then fol-

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lowed the contention who should be greatest; the feet washing; the identification of Judas as traitor. Assuring His disciples that while He greatly desired to eat the Passover of that year with them, He would not eat of it again until He came into His future Kingdom on earth. He then took bread, blessed it, broke it and gave it to His disciples. "After the same manner also he took the cup." I Cor. 11:23-26. No mention is made of the Passover Lamb because the Lamb of God, Who had been typified by the Passover Lamb, was soon to be slain on Calvary's Cross. Hence there was to be no further need of the type. *From that night to this day the Jews have ceased to use the lamb in their Passovers.*

Therefore, Jesus took the bread and the cup and used them to symbolize His Body and His Blood as He established a New Covenant, after which they sang a hymn and went out into the night. Then followed the agony in the Garden, betrayal, arrest, trials and the condemnation unto death. In the morning of our Wednesday, but still part of the 14th of Nisan, the Passover Preparation Day, Pilate delivered Jesus to be crucified. At the third hour, Jewish time, or 9 a.m. Gentile time, they nailed Jesus to the Cross. He died at the ninth hour, or at 3 p.m. our time. The body of Jesus was removed from the Cross and buried at about 6 p.m. Wednesday, our time, or by the end of the 14th day of Nisan.

(t) *Thursday, Nisan the Fifteenth*
"The first day of the feast of unleavened bread" was an High Day (double) Sabbath (John 19:31) known as "the Holy Convocation" and fell on the 15th of Nisan which began about 6 p.m. our Wednesday, and ended about 6 p.m. our Thursday.

Since no servile work could be done on this special Sabbath, the body of Jesus laid in the tomb untouched while His disciples and friends faithfully observed the Law by resting. It is the ignorance of the existence of this Sabbath day, on the part of some Christians, that is largely responsible for erroneous views concerning the right day of the Crucifixion. We need to remember that our traditional beliefs are

largely an inheritance from the dark ages, after primitive Christianity had become mixed with paganism early in the fourth century. Half-pagan theologians of that time assumed that the crucifixion must have been on a Friday, because it was followed by a Sabbath, which they supposed must have been the regular seventh-day of the Jews. They did not know, or did not give due attention to the fact, that the Jews had many other Sabbaths in addition to the seventh-days.

(g) *Friday, Nisan the Sixteenth*

The Preparation Day for the seventh-day weekly Sabbath fell on the 16th of Nisan. Since this was also a secular day it gave Mary Magdalene, Mary, the mother of James, and Salome opportunity to purchase sweet spices; and Nicodemus to buy a mixture of myrrh and aloes, for the embalment of the body of Jesus. It was the day on which the tomb was sealed and a Roman guard set, for the reason that Jesus said said after "three days" He would "rise again." Matt. 27:63.

(h) *Saturday, Nisan the Seventeenth*

The regular seventh-day weekly Sabbath fell on the 17th of Nisan, and, of course, began at sunset on our Friday and ended sunset, or 6 p.m. our Saturday. This was a day of rest with no servile work permitted.

In connection with this seventh-day Sabbath, Matthew 28 gives some interesting news: "In the end of the (weekly) sabbath, (Saturday, the 17th of Nisan, 6 p.m.) as it began to dawn the first day of the week, (which began at about 6 p.m. Saturday) came Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to see the sepulchre. And, behold, there was a great earthquake: for the angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat upon it. His countenance was like lightning, and his raiment white as snow: And for fear of him the keepers did shake, and became as dead men. And the angel answered and said unto the women, Fear not ye: for I know that ye seek Jesus, which was crucified. He is not here: for he is risen, as he said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay. And go quickly, and tell his disciples that he is risen from the dead, and, behold, he goeth before you into Galilee; there shall ye see him: lo, I have told you." Matt. 28:1-7.

Therefore, the Lord Jesus Christ arose at the end, or at the close, of the regular weekly seventh-day Sabbath and not early Sunday morning as many believe.

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The sign of Jonah definitely does away with the Jewish Sabbath and establishes the first day of the week as the Christian Sabbath. The Greek so declares the first day a Sabbath, and therefore we have no Scriptural authority to call it by any other name. "The Lord's Day" of Revelation 1:10 has to do with "the day of the Lord" (Isa. 2:12; Zech. 14:7; II Pet. 3:8-10), and cannot by any Biblical sanction be made to designate "the first day of the week." Furthermore, the literal translation of Matthew 28:1 furnishes Scriptural authority for the change from the seventh-day Sabbath to the first-day Sabbath and thus with one stroke of the Holy Spirit's inspired pen the bitter "Saturday vs. Sunday" controversy is forever settled.

Jesus was buried at the dawn, or beginning, of the Passover, or High Day Sabbath — sunset Wednesday, and He rose from the dead in the "end of the (weekly) Sabbath" — sunset, Saturday, "as it began to dawn toward the first" of the Sabbaths.

Thus we see revealed the fulfillment of the prophetic sign of Matthew 12:39, 40, which Jesus gave to His enemies. In this array of facts we have a confirmation of the declaration of Jesus when He said: "All things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms, concerning me." Luke 24:44.

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On page 111, one finds the record of David Sarnoff, Russian-born Jew, head of the National Broadcasting Company.

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Upon inquiring as to where the child had become familiar with these modern terms of the underworld, the father found he had been reading comic magazines. His childish mind was confused as to the best method of getting rid of his friend—for some magazines seemed to use one method more than

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Sold at ten cents a copy, these magazines may be procured from any newsstand, candy store, drug store, magazine or novelty shop. Some might tend to minimize the harmfulness of this type of "literature," but let us examine the facts. Buy a few copies and read them yourself; then ask this question: "Should I permit my child to fill his mind with such trash?"

Out of a pile of these papers, we shall select a copy at random. Overlook the gaudy cover for a moment, as we will return to that matter later. Here is a serial strip. Let us follow the sequence.

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A great many of these yellow journalistic efforts are now turning to the portrayal of soldier life in Europe, going into great detail to describe the horrible atrocities of the Germans to the heroes and heroines. They picture demoralized, perverted soldiers in filthy clothes with unshaven faces and lustful expressions as typical German soldiers, and usually have them torturing or pursuing a beautiful American or English woman.

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Puerto Rican Christians will remember the event as a Pentecost and a time of beautiful out-pouring of the Holy Spirit. The cable of prayer was made big enough to hold fervent wires of connections to the Throne of Grace, making the *flowing-in* easy, natural and abundant. The sermons, lectures and Bible instructions were energized, at all times, by power of the Spirit.

Hundreds of people partook of the splendid spiritual banquet which was

offered, during the days that the children of God met in these happy, harmonious surroundings. Themes were discussed which helped strengthen the faith of every believer, at the same time winning many converts to the Master.

Our guests of honor were Dr. Gerald B. Winrod, founder of the Defenders Movement, his darling daughter, Geraldine, and Rev. and Mrs. Harvey H. Springer, missionaries from the Baptist Church in Englewood (Denver) Colorado—who also came to this Island as representatives of the Defenders of the Christian Faith.

These good friends were a blessing to the Convention throughout the happy days of morning, afternoon and night sessions. They had arrived on our little Island only a few hours, when they were engaged in the first meeting at Rio Piedras, adjacent to San Juan, which climaxed with the dedication of the new Public Address System donated by friends in the States, as a valuable addition to our "Church on Wheels." Two nights were given to Rio Piedras in preparation for the Convention at San Juan.

Hundreds of people met at Rio Piedras for that first great service, a few hours after the missionaries had arrived by Clipper plane. Greetings were exchanged, sermons were delivered, last minute plans were made for the San Juan Convention, the Public Address System was dedicated—with Dr. Winrod's voice being the first to be heard through the new instrument.

The Rio Piedras Tabernacle was filled to utmost capacity for the two opening nights; the streets were crowded and even limbs of trees became seats for people who could find no place to stand and therefore climbed up to see and hear the faithful messengers. The sermons finished, with Dr. Winrod, Rev. and Mrs. Springer speaking, and even happy little Geraldine giving her testimony for Jesus, then came the invitation to accept Christ; many faces were stained with tears as God placed His seal of approval upon these meetings by adding new converts to the Heavenly Kingdom. Many came forward, thereby expressing desire to turn from the paths of sin.

On Wednesday night, as Dr. Winrod was giving the message on the second

coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, in the tabernacle at Rio Piedras, there was a moment when the presence of the Holy Spirit in him became so vivid that it overwhelmed the audience. Everybody was conscious of the Divine Presence filling him (Many said later: "It seemed as if transfiguration light covered his countenance"), and every heart, mind, soul and body in the audience, and also the very atmosphere in the room, seemed electric. When he said, speaking through Dr. Rodriguez as interpreter, "I believe this is a moment when all of us should bow our heads in prayer," it seemed unnecessary, for already they were doing it; the audience, inside and outside the building, felt a call to do it, as they testified later, when the service was over.

Then came Thursday morning, at 6:45 o'clock, a plea by radio from Dr. Winrod for a prompt revival before Christ returns. When Missionary Springer spoke later, both by radio and during the Convention, our hearts leaped for joy because we felt that while God has such a mighty man to represent Him on this earth, surely the Gospel will find lodgment in the hearts of men. Surely a revival will come.

Rev. Springer has been heartily received by all Defender workers at the Convention. We feel that the Lord sent him and his charming wife to us.

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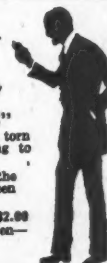
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to answer the words of first greeting given him at the Tabernacle of Rio Piedras. He has blessed the hearts, pulled the souls, instructed the minds in doctrine, of all who have heard his burning messages.

One of the school teachers of San Juan, telling about her mother who had listened to Rev. Springer make a radio address on Friday, reported that she had been deeply impressed by his words, how ably he led the boy at the hospital to continue the way through the valley of the death, hand in hand with Jesus, no longer fearing, but happy and sure to reach safely the placid shores of the better world. Rev. Ubarry, while introducing Rev. Springer at the Convention, engaged in a very dramatic demonstration trying to show the audience how our guest had for a long time thrown the rope as a cowboy, and how the Lord had become Himself a cowboy throwing the rope and lassoing him, to be His special messenger to souls who need salvation.

Geraldine won all hearts, when at the close of the first meeting of the Convention, she distributed little gifts brought by her from the States, to everyone of the hundreds present.

Both Dr. Winrod and Rev. Springer were on high heels in the Lord's work Sunday morning, for the meeting that had to be held in the City Hall of Rio Piedras, to take care of an audience of about one thousand. They delivered their messages with great feeling and power. Many Defender people were on hands for all day Sunday, from places far and near, each to take back the holy flame for kindling new fires of missionary endeavor.

Mrs. Springer spoke especially to the women of the Convention in the afternoon, and every soul was blessed. Although she does not understand Spanish, she understood the meaning of



A group of native Defender preachers, assembled from various parts of the Island at San Juan for the Convention.

the happy smiles which she saw on the faces of those in the audience who were thankful for her ministry, at the side of the husband of whom she is so justly proud. Her message was a gracious exposition on God's Grace, explaining the precious care of the Lord for His children, from the time they are saved until they reach the Heavenly abode.

As these words are being composed, Lady Geraldine is making thousands of friends among both children and grown-ups in Puerto Rico, and her happy nature is shown to be a constant inspiration to her father as he goes about doing good and carrying so many burdens and problems as a heavy load upon body, mind and heart. Her souvenirs have been deeply appreciated. There is much in her which speaks well of her fellowship with the Lord Jesus.

The Lord was very kind, giving us the blessing of these our distinguished guests, who imparted inspiration to the members of the Convention. All were in their best spirits, and love and fra-

ternity reigned. There was a sure sign of the anointing of the Lord on every message.

Many Defender preachers were also heard at the Convention. The following are some of the themes discussed: "The Holy Spirit: His Personality and His Work," by Rev. Julio Llopez. "Tithes and Offerings" by Rev. Julio Gonzales Diaz. "Let Us Give Vital Christianity to a Weary World," by Rev. Heriberto Zambrana. "The Need of A Spiritual Revival Among the People of Puerto Rico to Help Solve the Island's Problems," by Rev. Francisco Rodriguez Ramos. "The Romance of Faith," by Rev. Jose R. Ubarry. "The Man God Uses," by Mrs. Celedonia A. de Ramos. "The Sunday School and the 'All Bible Course' Used in All Defenders Tabernacles in Puerto Rico," by Rev. Mateo Cruz. "Christ Within the Hope of Glory," by Mr. Jesus Maria Lopez.

Dr. J. F. Rodriguez, Superintendent of the International Movement of the Defenders of the Faith in Puerto Rico, gave a hearty welcome to the workers from the different fields, graciously introducing them to our guests of honor during the Convention, and also giving direction to the annual meeting as a whole. He kept the Convention going smoothly at all times, in an atmosphere of spiritual sweetness, so that delegates and visitors might be blessed.

"Wings Over Puerto Rico."

As this Defender goes to press, Dr. Winrod is busy on the manuscript of a new book to be entitled, "Wings Over Puerto Rico." This treatise, illustrated by numerous photographs, and rich in original material, will be of special value to all who are interested in the Missionary Testimony of the Defender Movement.

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For March By Rev. Paul S. Wight, Hartwell, Georgia

March 2

The Authority of Christ

Luke 19:41-20:8

GOLDEN TEXT: "And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?" Luke 6:46.

Our Lord is here making His public entry into Jerusalem, not to be respected but to be rejected.

He knew He was entering into a nest of vipers, and yet we see in this lesson two instances of His love and concern for the holy city. (1) The tears He shed for the approaching ruin of Jerusalem (Verse 41), (2) The zeal He manifested for the purification of the Temple (Verse 45).

He put the place of worship to the best use it had ever known, for "he taught them daily in the temple" (Verse 47). Note, it is not enough that the church be purged of corruption, but the effort must be accompanied by the constructive preaching of the Gospel. Some religious leaders could learn a lesson here . . . namely, that it is not enough to oppose evil; we need also to be builders. There are Christians who insist on using a hammer all the time!

In cleansing the Temple, notice that Jesus called it "My house" (Verse 46). In driving out the merchants, He was exercising the right of ownership. Paul likens our bodies to a Temple in which the Spirit of God dwells. If we belong to Christ, we are not our own, for He has bought us with His blood, I Cor. 3:16-18. Jesus has the right to demand that His Temples be clean.

The people believed that Jesus spoke with divine authority, and He intimated as much over and over again, in His public ministry. "For he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes." Matthew 7:29. But these religious leaders wanted Him to say it directly, and in language of their choosing, so they could bring a charge of blasphemy against him. Christ's

authority came from a higher source than the courts of men.

Christ did not answer their question directly for two reasons: (1) They were not sincere in their quest for truth. He knew they were motivated by an evil purpose. There is no need discussing spiritual matters with men who do not really want to know the truth. (2) These men had already closed their minds regarding the character and person of our Lord. They were determined to kill Him, and He was under no obligation whatever to answer questions asked by lips speaking from hearts bent on murder. Men who do not want the truth, will never find it.

March 9

Christ Rejected

Luke 20:9-20

GOLDEN TEXT: "Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake." Matthew 5:11.

The first words of our lesson is like a link, connecting preceding comments with those that are to follow.

Our Lord had been teaching the people in the Temple, when He was interrupted by a delegation sent from the Sanhedrin, with a carefully prepared catch question. After answering them, Jesus again turned to the people and continued teaching, but this time using the parable of the Vineyard which contained a message directed at the scribes and Pharisees, elders and rulers of the Jews.

The symbolism of the parable is this: The Vineyard symbolized Israel. Isaiah 5:1-7. The husbandmen were those responsible for the policies and conduct of the Jewish nation. The "Lord of the vineyard" is the Heavenly Father. The servants, sent to the husbandmen, were the Prophets. The "beloved Son," Jesus Christ. John 3:16; 5:22-24.

"So they cast him out of the vine-

yard, and killed him" (Verse 15). The conduct of the Husbandmen, the long patience of the Owner, His last act in sending the beloved Son — goes to make up a story without parallel in history. Yet this is an exact sketch of what actually took place in the history of Israel. By their deeds, the Jews cast themselves from the Vineyard of God.

The prophetic picture of the future of the Jewish race was fulfilled with terrible exactness, when the Romans attacked Jerusalem . . . and by subsequent acts of judgment. This is not the first time that Jesus had threatened that the Vineyard would be turned over to other people. (See Matt. 8:11-12).

That the stone of Verses 17 and 18 represents the Lord Jesus Christ must be acknowledged by everyone. Dr. Scofield has well said: "Christ, as the stone, is revealed in a three-fold way: to Israel, as a rock of offense, a stumbling-stone (Isa. 8:14-15; Rom. 9:32-33; I Cor. 1:23; I Peter 2:8); to the Church: Christ is the foundation stone and the head of the corner (I Cor. 3:11; Eph. 2:20-22; I Peter 2:4-5); to the Gentile world powers: He will be the smiting stone of destruction (Dan. 2:34)."

March 16

The Lord's Supper

Luke 22:14-30

GOLDEN TEXT: "For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till he come." I Corinthians 11:26.

Our Lord tells His disciples that He had looked forward to this Last Supper with expectation (Verse 15). On

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the whole, it was time of joy, though the occasion was seemingly marred by strife among the disciples for preeminence (Verses 24-27) and by the actions of Judas.

The Lord gave thanks passing the bread and the cup to the disciples. By this deed, He was thanking God for His own suffering and death. How wonderful His love, that it should lead Him



to thank God in advance for the agony, shame and death which He was to endure for our sake.

The breaking of bread can not be interpreted as significant of the breaking of Christ's body on the Cross, for not a bone of His was broken. John 19:36; I Cor. 11:24 (note carefully R. V.). The breaking of the bread typified rather the distribution of His mystical body among those who should feed on Him.

"This is my body" (Verse 19). Does it mean that when Jesus blessed the bread it became His actual physical substance? Or does it mean, "This bread represents my body, and as you partake, it becomes part of you . . . so you are to partake of Me and I will become part of you?" One will find the answer in Ezekiel 5:4-5; I Cor. 10:4, 16; 11:25; Ezekiel 37:11; Matt. 13:28; Luke 12:1; John 10:7; Rev. 1:20 and Gal. 4:25, where the word "is" appears over and over again in the sense of "represents" or "stands for."

"This do in remembrance of me" (Verse 19). Literally this should be translated "with a view to calling to mind a recollection of me." The word means more than a mere record or memorial, and is in harmony with the present imperative "continually do this in order to bring me to mind." That is, "to remind yourselves and others of the redemption which I have won by my death."

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Jesus Condemned Crucified

Luke 23:13-25, 32-34a

GOLDEN TEXT: "What shall I do then with Jesus which is called Christ?" Matthew 27:22.

It is important that we note the space given to the death of Christ in the four Gospels.

From the time when He sat down with His disciples to partake of the Passover, until 3 p.m. the next afternoon, a period of less than 24 hours, Matthew devotes 125 verses, Mark 107 verses, Luke 120 verses, and John 237 verses (seven chapters out of twenty-one, or about one-third of John's Gospel).

The death of men is of little importance. They are remembered for what they achieve in life, not in death. With our Lord, it is the opposite. He came to earth to die; it was His death that really achieved His work. Hence in His dying agonies, He cried out: "It is finished." By His death, He made atonement for sin, redeeming all who would believe in Him, obtaining full pardon for our sin. Jesus desired to be remembered by the death that He should die, rather than the life that He should live.

The charge brought by Jewish enemies against Him before Pilate, was entirely different from the charges with which they had previously condemned Him in their own court (Verse 2). It seems strange proceeding to indict a Man in a preliminary hearing on one charge, and then present a different one in court. But they knew His claims of Kingship would more easily bring condemnation in a court of Rome.

Mark, Luke and John give us details about Barabbas which bring out vividly the appalling choice made by the Jewish leaders. Dreadful as it may seem, it is no more appalling than the actions of thousands today. Men and women, old and young, have their choice today, as to whom they will serve. And too many are crying, "give us Barabbas — we will not have this man to rule over us." Need we further proof of the desperate wickedness of the human heart? (Jer. 17:9).

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Christ's Commission

Luke 24:36-53

GOLDEN TEXT: "And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you." Luke 24:49.

Though His followers had deserted Him during His sufferings, yet He took advantage of the first opportunity of seeing them together. Some did not believe those who professed to have seen Him; therefore, He came Himself. He had promised that after His resurrection He would see them in Galilee; but so desirous was He to be with them and satisfy the desires of their hearts, that He anticipated the appointment and visited them at Jerusalem.

"Why are you troubled? and why do thoughts arise in your hearts?" (Verse 38). When we are troubled, thoughts are apt to arise to injure us. Questions arise that are neither true nor good, that have neither foundation nor fact, but hinder our joy in Christ, disarm us for duty, give advantage to Satan and deprive one of the comforts that rightfully belong to the believer.

The disciples were in fear of the Jews (John 20:19). With a word, Jesus banished their fear by saying, "Peace be unto you." He appeared in their midst as He thus sought to comfort them. The doors were bolted to keep the Jews out, but no closed door could keep the arisen Master away.

Strangely enough, the first reaction to the appearance and words of Jesus, on the part of the disciples, was increased fear (Verse 37). He sternly rebukes their unbelief and hardness of heart. (Mark 16:14). His presence always brings peace, no matter the turmoil outside. His presence is the cure for all fear and sorrow. (Isaiah 25:9, I Thess. 4:16-17).

After having brought them peace, He gave them a commission. (John 20:21-23). First peace in our own hearts, then a commission to help others! "Ye are witnesses of these things." Doubtless they were anxious to begin at once, but Jesus said in substance . . . "No, don't begin yet; you are not ready. There is another preparation so all-essential that you must not take one step without it, 'Tarry ye until ye be endued (clothed) with power from on high.'"

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COLONEL LANE, a British patriot who died in 1938 shortly after publishing a pamphlet entitled *The Hidden Hand*, sought to save his country from its present fate, by exposing the Jewish system of CONTROL which he had cause to believe held a stranglehold grip on the Empire.

After the Boer War, he resigned from military service to devote time and effort, as a private citizen, to helping spread enlightenment regarding the ex-

istence of a plot to enslave Gentiles throughout the world. His first book was published in 1934 under the title, "The Alien Menace," and enjoyed several editions — which shows that some Britishers must have possessed eyes to see and ears to hear.

The present pamphlet, reprinted by Colonel E. N. Sanctuary of New York, appeared originally in London, but was suppressed when England declared war on Germany. Written seemingly with prophetic insight, it opposes the program of international Jewry, against which the horrible war now raging, has developed as a reaction. Had England listened to the warning cry of this patriot, instead of allowing the press to "smear" him, the Empire would not be in jeopardy today.

Colonel Lane called *The Hidden Hand*, "a plain statement for the man on the street." Nothing more clear, concise, and substantiated by evidence, about the octopus which wrapped its golden tentacles about the nations after the World War, has been written. The Author unmasks the hidden forces set in motion to establish a system of world government, to be ruled over by the *Kahal* — or ruling council of International Jewry. At the time he wrote, Bolshevism was the Jewish vehicle. That was before Stalin double-crossed unbelieving Jewry and negotiated a non-aggression pact with Germany.

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The pamphlet does not hesitate to name some of the allegedly prominent members of the *Kahal*, particularly those responsible for the destiny of the British Empire. The Jewish network responsible for the manufacture and distribution of arms, is mercilessly exposed. The Author closes the pamphlet with a biographical sketch of Sir Basil Zaharoff, the armament monster, who was responsible for the spilling of rivers of blood in various parts of the world.

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(It has been suggested that Keith Brooks, self-styled "Fundamentalist," who defends Hollywood by denying its

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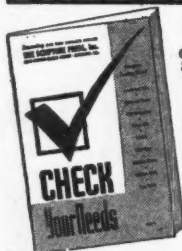
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life that blend into Puerto Rican racial existence ... see the barefooted adults, men and women whose bodies lack proper clothing due to extreme poverty ... the thousands of naked children, a source of embarrassment to educated, cultured and religious Puerto Ricans ... observe the want, starvation, and crying need for those advantages which come only from the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ — if our great Family of Readers could see the actual conditions existing there, they would thank God for the constructive work of the Defenders Movement on that beautiful Island during the last ten years.

At the present time, we have 75 Churches, Tabernacles and Chapels in Puerto Rico. For years, it has been our custom to distribute clothing to the poor through these centers. This ministry of love has made a profound impression, bringing blessing to multitudes.

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FOR a short missionary travelogue, we shall reconstruct briefly the



Rev. Domingo Rodriguez and Dr. Winrod. ... Mr. Rodriguez is Pastor of the interior Church, described in this article — accessible only on horseback.

labors of the last day on the Island, Tuesday, February 18th:

Rising early, a bite of breakfast, Dr. Rodriguez and the driver calling for the four of us. Car loaded with "Gospels of John," and Spanish tracts, leave immediately for the interior. There are always people on the highways, children and adults. Geraldine throws hundreds of tracts out of the car window. People scramble to pick them up. Dr. Rodriguez had 100,000 pieces of literature ready for distribution when we arrived.

Crossing a river, we see 30 or 40 women washing clothes, rubbing the garments on rough boulders, for want of washboards. Stop the car, Dr. Rodriguez speaks kindly to them in Spanish. They congregate on the banks. Mr. Springer gives a short Gospel message, Dr. Rodriguez interpreting. I follow with another message. Every woman is given a "Gospel of John." We take pictures with the faithful camera, and continue.

Pausing in villages, we call small groups together, give missionary messages. Puerto Ricans are always respectful, glad to hear. Covering many miles, we reach a certain place in the interior about 1 p.m. The road ends. We park the car. Native Christians are there with horses. We continue over a narrow, rocky trail three miles on horseback. Food is waiting in an humble hut. After the meal, we climb a steep grade walking another quarter of a mile.

Huddled on the side of a mountain, is a little Defenders Church, 70 members. The Pastor, a native Christian, raises bananas for a living. The building seating 100, packed to capacity, 200 more listening through the windows and doors. Mr. Springer preaches first. I follow. There are 33 as bright conversions, as I have ever seen in the States.

Dusk finds us on the horses again, winding our way down the narrow trail, to the automobile. There is no time for an evening meal. We drive fast to the night meeting, on the premises of a sugar factory. Here we find another Defenders Church, seating about 150. The Pastor is foreman of a department in the factory. The meeting is held in the open air, with approximately 600 persons present. Mr. Springer speaks first, I follow and give the invitation. There are 17 conversions. We leave for San Juan, getting to bed at midnight. A few hours sleep, and we board the Clipper next morning, returning to Miami.

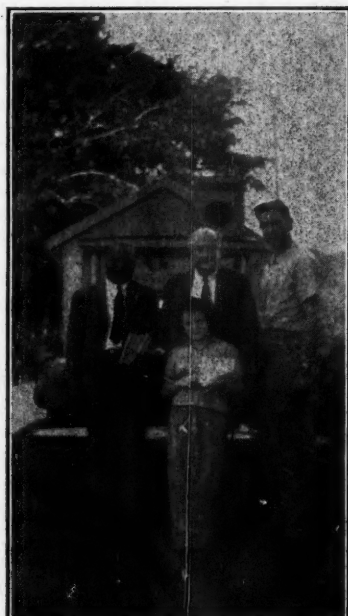
The largest newspaper in Puerto Rico contacted me soon after we reached the Island. Jewish organizations, and certain Gentile "fronts" in the States, had sent a vicious "smeat" of falsehood to the editor, rehabing the usual line of lying propaganda used against us. The Hidden Hand demanded that the paper

publish this literary sewage. Thereupon, Mr. Springer, Dr. Rodriguez and I had a long talk with the editorial staff, and was able to show them the utter falsity of the charges. It would have been nothing short of criminal, to have allowed this wonderful missionary work to be brought under the hammer of anti-Christ assaults, such as Bible-believing Christians are enduring these days here in the homeland.

I am glad to report that the newspaper men of Puerto Rico refused to yield to the pressure, originating with Jewish sources. But this shows to what extreme enemies of the Cause of Christ will go, in seeking to thwart Gospel effort. We were reminded of Acts 25:7: "And when he was come, the Jews which came down from Jerusalem stood round about, and laid many and grievous complaints against Paul which they could not prove."

The official emblem of Puerto Rico, adopted by the Spaniards centuries before the United States took it over, is that of a Lamb, reclining on a book, a banner over its right shoulder. When I first learned that the symbol of the Puerto Ricans was a Lamb, I thought of John 21:15, "Jesus saith to Simon Peter, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me more than these? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, Feed my lambs."

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The Church on Wheels may be seen in the background. Geraldine, Dr. Winrod's daughter, is shown holding a quantity of Gospel tracts for distribution.

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